

CHARITON COURIER.

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MAN WAS MADE TO HUSTLE.

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KEYTESVILLE, MISSOURI, FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 1899.

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COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Regular August, 1899, Term.

Court met, Monday, August 7th, with the following officers present:

E. B. Welch, presiding justice; W. N. Hamilton and B. F. Fleetwood, associate justices; J. R. Dempsey, sheriff, and H. H. Miller, clerk.

Upon the recommendation of the township board of Mussel Fork township, the sum of \$60 is ordered appropriated to build a bridge across the branch on the road leading east from McGinnis' bridge to Mussel Fork, between sections 13 and 24-55-18. A. F. Arrington, commissioner.

Dr. C. A. Jennings, coroner, presents report of proceedings held by him in the inquest held on the body of J. S. Musick, found dead in Keytesville township May 16th, 1899; also presents bill and expenses in holding said inquest, amounting to \$34.31, which are examined, approved and ordered filed.

Upon the recommendation of the township board of Chariton township, the sum of \$125 is ordered appropriated to build a bridge on the road running east and west in 5-51-17 from Forest Green to Glasgow, at the foot of Monticello hill.

Superintendent of the county poor farm ordered to receive and maintain Solomon Smalley, a pauper, until further orders of this court.

Clerk of this court ordered to release upon the margin of the record in the recorder's office the school fund mortgage of Michael Rafferty for \$500, it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that said mortgage was fully paid February 27th, 1885.

Annie Hopf ordered to be maintained at St. Joseph asylum as a county charge, it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that she no longer has sufficient estate of her own to pay her expenses at said asylum.

In the matter of the petition of T. F. Chrane et al, praying for a change in the road leading from Keytesville to Charneville, and also for a new road therein described, petition is received in open court and proof of notice filed. By agreement of attorneys further consideration of same is continued until Thursday, August 10th.

John Knappenberger, county treasurer, ordered to pay to W. W. Rucker the sum of \$100 out of the principal of the county school fund in full for said Rucker's account for attorney's fee in representing Chariton county in the injunction suit of Louis Benecke et al against said county at the July, 1899, term of circuit court at Salisbury.

A. F. Arrington, county bridge commissioner, presents his report showing that bridge across branch on public road between sections 11 and 12-55-20, near the residence of A. J. Dodd, has been completed, according to plans and specifications, by Jacob Guthridge, contractor, and recommends the payment of contract price therefor—\$541—to said contractor.

Same as to bridge across Slater branch on the road running north and south through the center of 25-56-19, near the residence of R. O. Sears. Geo. W. Barter, contractor, for the sum of \$700.

Same as to bridge across Muskego branch on the line running north and south between sections 13 and 24-55-18, near the residence of J. A. Crumfield. O. G. Rumsch, contractor, for the sum of \$700.

Wherein appearing in the matter of the petition of the following named persons to have their names added to the list of voters in the township of 25-56-19, it is ordered that the clerk of Chariton county sell the same in accordance with section 6427, R. S., 1879, amended in 1895.

It appearing to the court that the county and township school funds of this county can no longer be loaned to advantage at the present rate of eight per cent interest per annum, it is, therefore, ordered that all new bonds to said funds be drawn to bear six per cent interest per annum. And it is

Same as to bridge across the slough on the line between sections 16 and 21-56-20, W. H. Wilson, contractor, for \$109.50.

Further ordered that all persons owning bonds to said school funds may substitute new bonds, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, in lieu of their present bond to said funds. It is also ordered that the treasurer of said school funds collect interest on all bonds at the rate of eight per cent per annum until new bonds are approved by the court and substitutions made.

The court proceeding to select jurors to serve at the November, 1899, term of circuit court at Keytesville doth select the following named persons to serve as such jurors:

Z. T. Lamkin, circuit clerk, presents statement of fees received by him as such clerk for the second quarter of 1899, which is examined, approved and ordered filed.

Same as to H. H. Miller, county clerk.

Upon the written motion of Thos. Ferguson it is ordered that Geo. W. and E. M. Williams be required to file their bonds to the school fund in the sum of \$— in lieu of the bonds of said Ferguson to said funds for said sum.

Bonds of James F. Wilson, township collector of Bee Branch, township, approved.

B. H. Smith, R. D. Edwards and G. B. Hurt appointed as viewers to act jointly with the viewers from Macon county for ditch, drain or water course beginning between sections 2 and 11-59-16, in Macon county, and ending with the south line of 33-55-17 in Chariton county, same being along the channel of the Chariton river.

John Knappenberger, county treasurer, presents statement of the amount of the county and township school moneys, subject to distribution for the year 1899, as follows, to-wit: County funds, \$16,095.03; township funds, \$3,459.92. Total, \$19,554.95. And the state superintendent of public schools having certified to the clerk of this court the sum of \$8,584.25, amount of state school moneys apportioned to Chariton county for the year 1899, it is, therefore, ordered that the clerk of this court distribute the sum of \$28,139.20, being the amount of state, county and township schools for said year, according to the enumeration of the several school districts in this county.

The court proceeding to distribute the county foreign insurance tax fund moneys for the years 1897 and 1898 doth find that the incorporate cities, towns and villages of the county are entitled to the following amounts under such distribution to-wit:

FOR THE YEAR 1897.	
Children.	Adult.
Brunswick.....	540
Keytesville.....	550
Salisbury.....	720
Dalton.....	120
Mendon.....	80
Sumner.....	120
Triplet.....	120

FOR THE YEAR 1898.	
Children.	Adult.
Brunswick.....	540
Keytesville.....	550
Salisbury.....	720
Dalton.....	120
Mendon.....	80
Sumner.....	120
Triplet.....	120

The distribution of the above is at 68 cents for each child and 1.00 for 1898 the amount is \$1897 cents.

Whereupon it is ordered that warrants for the following named persons on the county revenue fund, payable to the treasurers of the aforesaid cities, towns and villages, as follows: Brunswick..... \$126.28
Keytesville..... 79.05
Salisbury..... 41.48
Dalton..... 26.81
Mendon..... 17.22
Sumner..... 32.15

Triplet..... 28.68

Total..... \$452.27

The court proceeding to let the contract for painting the 26 steel and two iron bridges in this county, doth let said contract to B. A. Clarkson, he being the lowest and best bidder for said work, at and for the sum of \$557. Bond of said contractor approved with R. P. Clarkson and O. B. Anderson as securities.

Chariton county to use of school fund against W. T. Curran, *fi fa*. Same as to Isaac Davis, col. Same as to James Ware, col. Same as to George Hunter, col.

GRAND JURORS.

NAME.	TOWNSHIP.
Alonzo Slaughter.....	Bee Branch
L. H. Herring.....	Brunswick
Herman Folkens.....	Chariton
George Harlan.....	Cockrell
S. P. Dillon.....	Cunningham
George Clavin, Jr.....	Keytesville
Lewis Shively.....	Missouri
J. L. Mason.....	Mussel Fork
George Wright.....	Salisbury
P. M. Bell.....	Triplet
C. O. Houston.....	Wayland
S. P. Grubbs.....	Yellow Creek

PETIT JURORS.

John P. Becker.....	Bee Branch
Henry Laker.....	Bowling Green
John Venable.....	Bowling Green
Chas. M. Lester.....	Brunswick
Geo. W. Rucker.....	Chariton
G. W. Hackley.....	Chariton
L. P. Combs.....	Clark
W. H. H. Long.....	Cockrell
Till Scott.....	Cockrell
Moses Jones.....	Cunningham
H. W. Ballew.....	Cunningham
Louis Fetter.....	Keytesville
M. H. Parks.....	Keytesville
James Bartlett.....	Mendon
W. R. Bash.....	Mendon
B. A. Cooper.....	Missouri
R. P. Green.....	Mussel Fork
W. P. Johnson.....	Salisbury
Ed Dameron.....	Salisbury
James Kelley.....	Salt Creek
O. A. Caples.....	Salt Creek
Frank Riggins.....	Triplet
J. M. Farris.....	Wayland
T. V. Reed.....	Yellow Creek

Order of this court made the 11th day of November, 1898, approving the bond of Mary E. Wilson to the school funds of this county is hereby set aside and annulled.

Z. T. Lamkin, circuit clerk, presents bills of costs of criminal cases and bills of cost for board of prisoners, certified to in the circuit court of this county, as follows to-wit:

CRIMINAL COSTS.

State vs. Nollie Bradford.....	\$12.85
Same vs. Win. Becker.....	22.75
Same vs. Win. Bell.....	15.75
Same vs. Nat. Hildford.....	5.40
Same vs. Johnson, Barnette.....	14.55
Same vs. Cook, Burnett.....	17.30
Same vs. Melville, Barker.....	37.80
Same vs. Wm. Cobb.....	26.05
Same vs. Frank Hinder, No. 1.....	11.80
Same vs. same, No. 2.....	7.75
Same vs. Jas. M. Hider.....	10.08
Same vs. Hamp Drew, No. 2.....	99.00
Same vs. George Hinson.....	10.80
Same vs. Ed Hayes.....	11.78
Same vs. John Turner.....	12.30
Same vs. O. M. Thomas.....	12.05
Same vs. Miller, Barker.....	20.45
Same vs. M. F. McFadden.....	5.00
Same vs. Chas. Hildford.....	5.80
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 1.....	34.40
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 2.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 3.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 4.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 5.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 6.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 7.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 8.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 9.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 10.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 11.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 12.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 13.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 14.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 15.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 16.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 17.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 18.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 19.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 20.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 21.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 22.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 23.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 24.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 25.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 26.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 27.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 28.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 29.....	10.00
Same vs. Geo. Hildford, No. 30.....	10.00

State vs. David Hayes.....	\$2.85
Same vs. Ed Hayes, Jr.....	19.55
Same vs. John Jacks.....	19.55
Same vs. same.....	13.05
Same vs. Ora Johnson.....	12.05
Same vs. Ephraim Martin.....	19.55
Same vs. Pearl Turner.....	13.05

Total..... \$104.35

which are examined, approved and

ordered filed. And it is further ordered that a warrant in the sum of \$706.56 issue on the county revenue fund, payable to the order of John Knappenberger, county treasurer, and that the clerk of this court certify to the said treasurer the names of the various parties to whom the fees are due, and the amount due each, and that the said treasurer pay the same to the parties thereto entitled as required by section one of an act entitled, Fees: Criminal Costs—Fees: bills, page 219, laws of Missouri, 1899.

A. F. Arrington, county bridge commissioner, ordered to let contract for a bridge across branch between sections 7 and 16-54-17, near residence of Robt. Wayland.

John Knappenberger, county treasurer, presents the semi-annual settlement of his accounts as such treasurer for the six months ending August 1st, 1899, which is examined, approved, ordered filed, and spread in full upon the records of this court.

School fund mortgage of P. R. Nickerson to the county school fund for \$98 ordered released upon the margin of the record in the recorder's office, it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that said mortgage was fully paid February 15th, 1892.

State auditor authorized and requested to draw his warrant in favor of John Knappenberger, county treasurer, for \$8,584.25, the amount of state school moneys apportioned to Chariton county for the year 1899 by the state superintendent of public schools and certified to the clerk of this court.

An appropriation of \$80 made for the support of C. M. Woods at the Fulton insane asylum from March 16th, 1899, to September 16th, 1899, upon the petition presented to the county by T. E. Mackay, guardian and administrator of said Woods.

In the matter of the controversy between T. J. Hancock and Hamp Drew over a coal bill of \$53.80 against the county, the court orders that a warrant issue to L. A. Embree, constable of Keytesville township, in said amount, the question of determining as to which of the litigants the money shall be paid, to be decided in some court of competent jurisdiction.

In the matter of the road petition of T. F. Chrane et al, cause heard, referred to the county attorney, and continued until next term of this court.

Bonds to school funds approved as follows:

B. H. Smith for \$500
D. J. Nichols for \$360
Mary A. Ward for \$100
M. L. Shoemaker for \$150
Sallie E. Vandiver for \$2,000

ALLOWANCES AS FOLLOWS:

E. F. Quaid, conveying Solomon Smalley a pauper to the poor farm.
\$2.50

Jacob Guthridge, building bridge across branch on public road between sections 11 and 12-55-20, near the residence of A. J. Dodd, \$541.

Jacob Guthridge, 370 feet of timber for bridge across Hickory branch on line between sections 11 and 12-55-20, \$8.30.

Geo. W. Barter, building bridge across Slater branch on the road running north and south through the center of 25-56-19, near the residence of R. O. Sears, \$700.

Dr. Riggins, M. D., medical services in Keytesville, \$2.85.

The record a Terrence P. Parnell, \$10.00.

Standard Printing Co., Salisbury, \$10.00.

Cadogan-Hitchcock, Salisbury, \$4.25.

Sam'l D. Dyer, Book Co., stationery, \$9.30.

Keytesville Agent, stationery, \$36.60.

August East Bank-Note Litho. Co., stationery, \$84.85.

Geo. D. Barnard & Co., stationery, \$106.73.

Salisbury Democrat, stationery, \$40.

Salisbury Press-Spectator, stationery, \$33.90.

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A Sensational Damage Suit.

Mrs. Elizabeth Null of Sumner has brought suit against Mrs. Sarah E. Ross, also of Sumner, for \$5,000 actual damages and \$5,000 exemplary damages for alienating the affections of the plaintiff's husband, Dr. A. C. Null.

The charges made in plaintiff's petition are sensational in the extreme, and allege that defendant, contriving and intending to injure plaintiff and deprive her of the love and affection, comfort, society and protection of her said husband, did, without the knowledge or consent of plaintiff, wrongfully, wantonly and wickedly induce plaintiff's said husband to violate the commandment which reads: "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

Matters grew from bad to worse, and plaintiff avers that her husband's frequent visits to Mrs. Ross' house during 1897 and 1898, and through the defendant's wicked wiles, plaintiff's husband abandoned plaintiff November 2nd, 1898, and since that time defendant has harbored and kept plaintiff's husband away from her and their home, thereby alienating and destroying the love and affection of plaintiff's said husband for plaintiff, and depriving her of his society and protection, support and the comforts which she otherwise would have enjoyed.

Mrs. Null says that she and Dr. Null were married in the state of Indiana in the year 1866, where they afterwards resided for sometime, or until they moved to Sumner, Mo., which place they have since made their home.

The plaintiff also alludes to the fact in her petition that she gave birth to and reared her husband's children, but nothing is said concerning the number of their offsprings.

The damage suit against Mrs. Ross has been docketed for the next November term of circuit court at Keytesville.

C. C. Bigger of Laclede is Mrs. Null's attorney.

Dr. Null, we are informed, is now living at Springfield, Mo.

Criminal Calendar.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney J. F. Pratt and O. P. Ray went to Hamden, Thursday of last week, to prosecute N. B. Welch, who was recently arrested at that place for disturbing the peace. The case was tried before Squire John Bayne and resulted in a verdict of guilty and defendant being fined \$10 and costs. An appeal was taken to the circuit court. Another charge was then made against Welch for carrying concealed weapons and the case tried at Hamden yesterday (Thursday), but up to going to press we have not learned the result of the trial.

A Whopper.

In the wrap-up of our trip to the West in the last issue of the Courier, we said that Mr. Wilson's big grapevine, near Carpenteria, in South Dakota county, California, was a feet and 4 inches in diameter at its trunk, when we should have said 8 feet and 4 inches in circumference. Now (after we have fully recovered from the exhilarating effects of our travels to the Pacific coast and back we have to make this correction) says the Courier.

P. M. Simpson is a comedian, who recently came to the P. M. Simpson at the place where he was born, near Carpenteria, in South Dakota county, California, and was caught in a trap set for him by a fox. Simpson is a hustler, and understands the livery business thoroughly. We hope for him abundant success. He makes the proper kind of a start by placing an "ad." in the Courier.

Geo. W. West of two miles north of town shipped a car load of hogs to St. Louis yesterday afternoon.

Fires.

A. J. Bell, a substantial citizen and successful farmer of near Westville, lost his house by fire about one o'clock last Friday morning. We did not learn how the fire originated or whether or not Mr. Bell carried any insurance.

A. D. Hurt, Jr., of four miles south-east of Keytesville was awakened from his slumbers about 2:30 o'clock the morning of the first inst. to discover that his large barn was on fire. The building, with its contents, consisting of a wagon and harness and hay and corn, amounting in value to about \$100, were soon consumed by the hungry flames. The barn was 50x60 feet and was erected at a cost of \$600. Mr. Hurt carried \$250 insurance on the building and \$50 on the contents in the Home Insurance Co. of New York.

Kicked By a Horse.

B. L. Singleton of Keytesville's poultry and egg firm of Perkins & Singleton was kicked by a horse belonging to Willard Reed of near Indian Grove last Friday afternoon, and painfully though not seriously injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed were spending the day at Mr. Singleton's, and while Messrs. Singleton and Reed were sitting in the stable door about 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon and Mr. Reed's horses were in the stable eating, one of Mr. Singleton's horses came up to the door, and when Mr. Singleton halted at it one of Mr. Reed's horses kicked, its foot striking Mr. Singleton just below the left shoulder-blade, knocking him several feet, fracturing the fifth rib on the left side and producing congestion of the left lung and stomach.

Dr. I. Knott, Jr., was called and the patient is now able to sit up and walk about the house.

A Chariton County Enterprise.

We take pride in calling attention to our new steam laundry at Salisbury. We are in a new building, erected to order, are well equipped with new and modern machinery and have secured the services of Mr. A. C. Brady of Marshall, Mo., one of the best laundry men in North Missouri. Our work is giving entire satisfaction at home and abroad. This is a Chariton county institution, and we cordially solicit a share of your patronage and guarantee satisfaction. Mr. John Ward is our agent at Keytesville. Please leave your work at his barber shop or give it to him when he calls upon you. Respectfully, SALISBURY STEAM LAUNDRY, A. T. GILLENWORTH, Manager.

Letter List.

The following is a list of unclaimed letters in the Keytesville, Mo., post-office, August 11th, 1899:

W. A. Lewis, J. R. Maybee, W. G. Smith, Fred Scotten, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Miss Emma Watson, 2.

When calling for the above letters please pay for postage.

W. C. GASTON, P. M.

Supper of 100 Old Fellows of Keytesville held at the Dan. Tupper hall, 12th inst. in the institution of a new Old Fellows' club at 1254 place. A musical, after which a social gathering was held. The work of the institution commenced the entire night, but as the fun afforded was abundant and the supper was all that the cravings of inner man could demand, the hours flew swiftly and pleasantly by. The new lodge consists of 19 charter members, from which the following officers were elected: John Welch, N. G.; Henry McGowan, V. G.; Dr. M. S. White, Sec., and J. C. Hains, Treas. The appointive offices have not yet been filled.